

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/485,298

Applicant(s)
Yamamoto et al.

Examiner
Arun Chakrabarti

Art Unit
1634

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Arun Chakrabarti

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(2) Kristi Rupert

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Date of Interview Aug 28, 2003

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: All

Identification of prior art discussed:

None

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Applicant explained that the instant claims are focused on RT-PCR, while the prior art teaches direct PCR using nucleotide analogs. Examiner explained that the prior art is still applicable for rejection in presence of 'comprising' language of the claim. Applicant proposed to amend the claims, which will be considered favorably although further search and consideration is necessary.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Arun K. Chakrabarti
Examiner's signature, if required